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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Harold R. Blomquist  
Serial No. : 09/754,805  
Filed : January 4, 2001  
For : NITROCELLULOSE GAS GENERATING  
MATERIAL FOR A VEHICLE  
OCCUPANT PROTECTION APPARATUS  
Group Art Unit : 3641  
Examiner : Edward A. Miller  
Attorney Docket No. : TRW(VSSIM)4910  
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**PETITION TO EXTEND PERIOD FOR RESPONSE**

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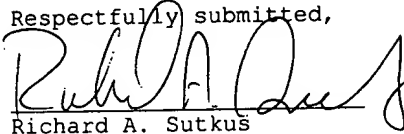
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby requests  
a two (2) month extension of the period for response to the  
Office Action mailed December 5, 2002. The response date set  
in the Office Action was March 5, 2003. A response is being  
filed herewith today, May 5, 2003, which is within the second  
month after the response date. Enclosed is a check in the  
amount of \$410.00, which is the fee for a two month extension.

Accordingly, applicant hereby requests that the period for  
response be extended by two (2) months so that the response  
filed herewith will be considered timely filed.

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Respectfully submitted,



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